

REMARKS

Applicants appreciate the thorough examination of the application that is reflected in the Office Action dated November 19, 2003. Applicants cancel claims 12-14 without prejudice, and submit new claims 15-50 for examination. Applicants also amend the Summary and Abstract to be consistent with the new claims.

Claims 15-50 are pending in the application. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of this application.

Rejection of Claims 12 – 14 Under 35 U.S.C. §112, First Paragraph

The Office rejects claims 12 – 14 under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph as containing subject matter which was not described in the specification.

Applicants submit that the cancellation of claims 12-14 renders this ground of rejection moot, and thus request that the rejection be withdrawn.

Art-based Rejections

The Office rejects claims 12 – 14 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Bruckert (U.S. Patent No. 5,920,549), Ghosh (U.S. Patent No. 6,018,667, Willey (U.S. Patent No. 6,138,034) and Tiedemann (U.S. Patent No. 6,216,004).

Applicants submit that the cancellation of claims 12-14 renders this ground of rejection moot, and thus request that the rejection be withdrawn. To the extent that the Office seeks to reject the new claims based on the cited references, Applicants respectfully traverse such a rejection for at least the following reasons.

Exemplary claim 33 relates to a wireless communication system. Claim 33 requires:

a plurality of origination stations that each communicate a signal comprising a regular page message over respective regular paging channels and a quick paging channel page message over respective quick paging channels; and
a terminal that, when in an idle state during which an RF receiver is off, simultaneously monitors each of the quick paging channels for their respective quick paging channel page messages. (Emphasis added.)

Applicants submit that the cited references fail to teach or suggest, for example, a terminal that “simultaneously monitors each of the quick paging channels for their respective quick paging channel page messages,” as required by claim 33.

For at least the foregoing reasons, Applicants submit that claim 33 is patentable of over the cited references. In addition, Applicants respectfully submit that dependent claims 34-49 are separately patentable at least by virtue of their dependency from independent claim 33, and also because those claims recite additional features that are not taught or suggested by the cited references. Applicants submit that claims 15-32 and 50 are also patentable for similar reasons.

REQUEST FOR ALLOWANCE

In view of the foregoing, Applicants submit that all pending claims in the application are patentable. Accordingly, reconsideration and allowance of this application are earnestly solicited. Should any issues remain unresolved, the Examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned at the number provided below.

Respectfully submitted,

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